



The University of Sydney

Senate minutes summary, 7 and 8 July 2003

At the ordinary meeting on 7 July 2003:

☆ 1. **Addition or deletion of confidential items**

1.1 **Initial adjournment of meeting**

Resolution 234/03

On the motion of the Deputy Chancellor, Senate resolved to adjourn the meeting for 30 minutes.

1.2 **Order of business**

2. **Senate business (*items for action*)**

☆ 2.1 **Starring**

At 5.45pm, during consideration of this item, demonstrators prevented continuation of the meeting.

Resolution 235/03

After the demonstrators had been removed by police by 6.45pm, the motion that the meeting be adjourned to 7.00am on Tuesday 8 July 2003 was put and carried, with 12 voting in favour and 8 against.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm.

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At the adjourned meeting on 8 July 2003:

☆ 1. **Addition or deletion of confidential items continued**

2. **Senate business (*items for action*)**

☆ 2.1 **Starring continued**

Resolution 236/03

Senate resolved as recommended with respect to all unstarred items, and deferred consideration of starred items 2.5, 5, 7.1, 8.1, 9.1, 13.3, 13.4, 13.5, 14.6, 14.9, 14.15.1 and 17(4.3) to the next meeting:

2.2 **Leave of absence**

Resolution 237/03

Senate:

- (i) granted leave of absence for the meeting on 7 July 2003 to The Hon J J Aquilina as requested; and
- (ii) granted leave of absence for the adjourned meeting on 8 July 2003 to The Hon J J Aquilina, Mr A Spencer and Ms M Varady as requested.

2.3 Minutes of the previous Senate meeting and Colloquium, 2 June 2003

Resolution 238/03

Senate confirmed the open minutes of the Senate meeting and Colloquium held on 2 June 2003 as a true and correct record.

2.4 Business arising out of the minutes not dealt with elsewhere in the agenda

☆ **2.5 Fellow of Senate elected by and from members of the Legislative Assembly**

Resolution 239/03

Senate resolved to defer the following recommendation to the next meeting: *That Senate note the report, welcome The Hon John J Aquilina as a Fellow of Senate and thank Mr Kevin Greene for his valued service as a Fellow of Senate for four years.*

2.6 Letter to the Hon John Aquilina

Resolution 240/03

Senate noted the report and resolved to convey its condolences to the Hon John Aquilina.

2.7 Bundanon

Resolution 241/03

Senate resolved that Mr Terrey Arcus assist senior officers in the negotiation of possible arrangements including an option within the terms of Senate's previous resolution.

☆ **2.8 Expenses of Chancellor's Office**

Resolution 242/03

Senate resolved that delegated authority be given to the Registrar and the Chief Financial Officer to sign invoices for expenses incurred by the Chancellor such as for airfares, with the proviso that the Chair of the Finance Committee reviews such major items, along with the Chancellor's credit card expenses, on a quarterly basis to confirm that the outlays being incurred are consistent with the plan and budget for the Chancellor's Office.

☆ **3. Report of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal**

3.1 Update for Senate's information

3.2 Deanship in Veterinary Science – Selection Committee

Resolution 243/03

Senate

(i) noted that the Vice-Chancellor had approved the recommendations of the Faculty:

(a) that the appointee hold a full-time position as a Professor in a discipline area within the Faculty and will act as Dean, with the appropriate responsibility loading, for a period of five years. At the conclusion of this period, the appointee may be invited to undertake a further specified period as Dean, with a continuation of the appropriate appointment and responsibility loading; and

(b) that the appointment be advertised both internally and externally; and

- (ii) appointed the following selection committee:

Ex-officio

Vice-Chancellor and Principal (Professor Gavin Brown)
Chair of the Academic Board (Professor Judyth Sachs)
Pro-Vice-Chancellor with supervisory responsibility for the Dean (Professor B Hesketh)

Members appointed by Senate

Three members (plus two reserves) nominated by the Faculty:

- Professor Chis Maxwell
- Professor Richard Whittington
- Associate Professor Geraldine Hunt
- Associate Professor Rosanne Taylor (First Reserve)
- Professor Frank Nicholas (Second Reserve)

One member, external to the University, to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor:

- Professor Grant Guilford, Head, Institute of Veterinary, Animal and Biomedical Sciences, Massey University, Palmerston North, NZ

3.3 Ad Eundem Gradum

Resolution 244/03

Senate admitted the following to the recommended degrees *ad eundem gradum*.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Recommended Degree</i>
Professor John Atherton Young	Master of Science in Medicine
Mr Harold Edward Davey	Master of Applied Science
Ms Gwenda Forster Lansbury	Master of Applied Science (Physiotherapy)

3.4 Graduate School of Government

Resolution 245/03

The amended motion – that, while deploring Mr Greiner’s continued involvement as Chair of British American Tobacco in Australia, Senate endorse the appointments to the Advisory Council for the Graduate School of Government - was put and lost by ten votes to seven, the following voting against the motion: Ms T Anthony, Dr G Butler, Professor L Field, Dr R Fitzsimons, Professor M Harris, Dr S Jamieson, Ms V Pratt, Emeritus Professor A Sefton, Ms M Watts and Ms K Wilson.

3.5 Universities Meet Parliament

Resolution 246/03

Senate noted the report on the AVCC’s Universities Meet Parliament event held the previous week.

3.6 Inaugural St Spyridon Lecture

Resolution 247/03

Senate noted the report on the inaugural St Spyridon Lecture given by the Vice-Chancellor on the occasion of the 21st anniversary of St Spyridon’s College.

3.7 Media Reports

Resolution 248/03

Senate noted the report on regular positive coverage received by the University in a wide range of media outlets.

3.8 Visiting International Delegations

Resolution 249/03

Senate noted the report on international visiting delegations and VIPs to the University of Sydney in June 2003.

3.9 Staff Honours

Resolution 250/03

Senate noted the report and congratulated Professor Reuben Rose, Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science, on the award of the 2003 Gilruth Prize by the Australian Veterinary Association for meritorious service to veterinary science in Australia.

3.10 Development and External Affairs

3.10.1 Acting Director

Resolution 251/03

Senate noted the report that Mr David Collins had been appointed to take over as Acting Director (Operations) until the appointment of a new permanent head of Development and External Affairs.

3.10.2 Events

Resolution 252/03

Senate noted the report on planned University events for the remainder of 2003.

☆ 4. Report of the Finance Committee, 23 June 2003 (items for action)

4.1 Mid-Year Budget Review for 2003

Resolution 253/03

Senate

- (i) noted that the 2003 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget contained no unapproved items of expenditure and incorporates expenditure approved since November 2002 and contained the latest available information on research grants and fee income;
- (ii) noted the endorsement of the 2003 Mid-Year Consolidated Budget; and
- (iii) approved its use as the benchmark for further reporting.

4.2 Mid-Year Review for Capital Development Program for 2003

A Fellow requested discussion of (i)(c) below at the next meeting.

Resolution 254/03

Senate

- (i) noted Finance Committee approval of the
 - (a) inclusion of the new high priority initiatives identified by the Capital Program Advisory Committee;
 - (b) proposed financial adjustments to the 2003 Capital Development Program with a total allocation for projects in 2003 of \$63,202,804;
 - (c) earmarking of overseas student fee income of \$2,593,000 to enable preparatory work on the Campus 2010 and Building for the Future Program; and
- (ii) noted the request that (c) above be discussed at the next meeting.

- ☆ 5. **Report of the Academic Board, 11 June 2003 (items for action)**
- 5.1 **Amendment of the Rules of the Senate**
- 5.1.1 **Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum: University of Sydney (Student Proctorial Panel) Rule 2003**
- Resolution 255/03**
Senate resolved to defer the following recommendation to the next meeting: *That Senate amend the University of Sydney (Student Proctorial Panel) Rule 2003 prior to promulgation, as set out in the shaded box on pages D4-5 of the report presented.*
- 5.1.2 **University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999: Earliest date for submission of a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) thesis**
- Resolution 256/03**
Senate resolved to defer the following recommendation to the next meeting: *That Senate amend section 78 of the University of Sydney (Amendment Act) Rule 1999, as set out in the shaded box on page D6 of the report presented.*
- 5.2 **Amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate**
- 5.2.1 **New or amended courses**
- 5.2.1.1 **Faculty of Arts/Faculty of Science: Bachelor of Liberal Studies (Advanced)**
- Resolution 257/03**
Senate resolved to defer the following recommendation to the next meeting: *That Senate approve:*
- (1) *the proposal from the Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science for the introduction in 2004 of the new stream, the Bachelor of Liberal Studies (Advanced), within the existing Bachelor of Liberal Studies award course,*
 - (2) *the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science, with effect from 1 January 2004, and*
 - (3) *the amendment of the Resolutions of the Senate relating to the Bachelor of Liberal Studies, made pursuant to the University of Sydney (Coursework) Rule 2000, with effect from 1 January 2004, as set out in the report presented; and as set out in the shaded box on page D7 of the report presented.*
6. **General items (items for action)**
- 6.1 **Bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind, May 2003**
- Resolution 258/03**
Senate accepted with gratitude the various bequests, donations, non-government grants and gifts-in-kind received in May 2003.
- 6.2 **W C Wentworth**
- Resolution 259/03**
Senate noted the death of William Charles Wentworth and resolved to convey its condolences to his family.

6.3 Report of the Ageing and Alzheimer's Research Foundation

Resolution 260/03

Senate approved the appointment/election of Honorary Governors and members to the Council of the Ageing and Alzheimer's Research Foundation for 2003-2004 as recommended.

6.4 Report of the Medical Foundation

Resolution 261/03

Senate approved the election of Governors and Honorary Governors to membership of the Council of the Medical Foundation and the election of Office Bearers and Executive Committee members for the period to the next Annual General Meeting as recommended.

6.5 Report of the Nerve Research Foundation

Resolution 262/03

Senate approved the election of the office-bearers of the Board of the Nerve Research Foundation as recommended.

6.6 Nerve Research Foundation Constitution

Resolution 263/03

Senate approved the amendment of the Constitution for the Nerve Research Foundation as recommended.

6.7 Report of the Oral Health Foundation

Resolution 264/03

Senate approved the election of members and office-bearers of the Council of the Oral Health Foundation as recommended.

6.8 Institute for Health Research

Resolution 265/03

Senate approved the University's membership of the Institute for Health Research and, subject to that approval, approve the appointment of Professor Bruce Armstrong as the University's representative and the Director appointed to the Board by the University.

6.9 SUPRA Constitution

Resolution 266/03

Senate approved the amendment to the SUPRA Constitution as recommended.

☆ **7. Question time**

7.1 University campuses

Resolution 267/03

Senate resolved to defer the following questions to the next meeting:

- (i) *Could the Vice-Chancellor bring to Senate the proposals concerning Senate that have been made by Towards A Sustainable Campus in a recent letter to him?*
- (ii) *Could the Vice-Chancellor also report to Senate on what is currently happening in regard to the implementation of the University's Environment Policy, to the proposal to establish a Sustainability Institute and to the*

prospect of including material relevant to the Environment Policy on the new University Website?

8. Senate business (items for noting)

☆ **8.1 Items deferred from the previous Senate Colloquium**

8.1.1 Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) (Business arising)

Resolution 268/03

Senate resolved to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting.

8.1.2 Student Appeals Committee (Exclusions and Readmissions) – 2002 Annual Report (Report of the Academic Board, 14 May 2003 (items for noting))

Resolution 269/03

Senate resolved to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting.

8.1.3 Victoria Park (Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 14 May 2003 (items for noting))

Resolution 270/03

Senate resolved to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting.

8.1.4 Capital Development Report (Finance Committee meeting, 15 May 2003 – Minutes and papers/Background and optional reading)

Resolution 271/03

Senate resolved to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting.

8.2 Functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the previous month

Resolution 272/03

Senate noted the report on functions attended by the Chancellor and Fellows of Senate in the previous month.

8.3 Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor: visit to the United Kingdom, 14-18 July 2003

Resolution 273/03

Senate noted the report on the visit by the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor to the United Kingdom from 14 to 18 July 2003.

8.4 Expenses of office of Chancellor

Resolution 274/03

Senate noted the tabled report on the expenses of the Chancellor's Office and Senate.

8.5 Next meeting

8.6 Next Senate Colloquium

Resolution 275/03

Senate noted the report that the next Senate meeting would be held at 5.00pm on 4 August 2003 in the Senate Room and would not be a Colloquium.

9. Report of the Finance Committee, 23 June 2003 (items for noting)

Resolution 276/03

Senate noted the report on the following items, except for 9.1 which was starred and deferred to the next meeting:

- ☆ 9.1 Legal Services – Update
- 9.2 Enterprise Bargaining – Update
- 9.3 Medical Malpractice – Update
- 9.4 Capital Development Program
- 9.5 CFO's Report for May 2003
- 9.6 NSW Auditor-General's 2003 Report to Parliament
- 9.7 Operational Review Report
- 9.8 2002 Annual Reports for Foundations/Centres/Student Associations
 - Accounting Foundation
 - Ageing & Alzheimer's Research Foundation
 - Celtic Studies Foundation
 - The Earth Resources Foundation
 - Institute of Criminology
 - Institute of Transport Studies
 - The Nerve Research Foundation
 - Oral Health Foundation
 - The Post Graduate Foundation in Veterinary Science
 - Poultry Research Foundation
 - The Power Institute Foundation for Art and Visual Culture
 - The Research Institute for Asia and the Pacific
 - The Science Foundation for Physics
 - Sydney Law School Foundation

10. Report of the Academic Board, 11 June 2003 (items for noting)

Resolution 277/03

Senate noted the report on the following items:

- 10.1 Report of the Chair
 - 10.1.1 Review of the Academic Board and the Academic Forum: *University of Sydney Amendment (Academic Board) By-law 2003 and University of Sydney (Academic Governance) Rule 2003*
 - 10.1.2 Self-audit of the Academic Board
 - 10.1.3 Co-funded University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (UPAs): Method of Award (Second Semester 2003)
 - 10.1.4 Workshop to Develop Strategies for the University Teaching and Learning Plan
 - 10.1.5 Presentations from the Deans and Pro Vice-Chancellors (College)

11. Draft report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee, 25 June 2003 (items for noting)

Resolution 278/03

Senate noted the draft report on the following items:

- 11.1 Main Issues Arising from Meeting held Tuesday 25 June 2003
 - 11.1.1 Matters Arising from the Minutes – OH&S Issues
 - 11.1.2 Matters Arising from the Minutes – OH&S Issues
 - 11.1.3 Audit & Risk Management Committee – Terms of Reference
 - 11.1.4 Governance, Risk Management and Compliance
 - 11.1.5 Internal Audit & Review – Implementation Report

**11.1.6 Other Business – Audit Office Management Letter for the year ending
31 December 2002**

12. Report of the Senate/Sports Liaison Committee, 18 June 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 279/03

Senate noted the report on the following items:

- 12.1 Welcome and Apologies
- 12.2 Report of the previous Senate/Sports Liaison Committee meeting held on 14 May 2003
- 12.3 Senate report, 2 June 2003
- 12.4 Business Arising
 - 12.4.1 International Centre of Excellence
 - 12.4.2 Victoria Park
 - 12.4.3 Reception for Mr Bruce Ross
 - 12.4.4 Government Grants
- 12.5 Use of Sporting Facilities
- 12.6 The Fifth strategy in the University Mission Statement – “*Develop community relations through sport*”
- 12.7 Any other business
 - 12.7.1 SU Sport’s Clubs
 - 12.7.2 SU Sport Coaches Dinner
 - 12.7.3 Cricket Academy
- 12.8 Next meeting

13. Report of the Senate/SRC Liaison Committee, 5 June 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 280/03

Senate noted the report of the discussion on the following items, except for items 13.3, 13.4 and 13.5 which were starred and deferred to the next meeting:

- 13.1 Welcome and apologies
- 13.2 Business arising from the previous report
 - 13.2.1 English language skill support
 - 13.2.2 Equity programs/Local fee paying undergraduates
 - 13.2.3 GST Exemption on Student Fees
 - 13.2.4 University’s Collection of SRC Student Fees
 - 13.2.5 Transfer of Local Full-Fee Students to HECS Places
- ★ 13.3 Campus 2010
- ★ 13.4 Security at Cumberland Campus
- ★ 13.5 Discipline of students
- 13.6 The Federal Government’s VSU legislation
- 13.7 Next Meeting

14. Draft report of the Senate/SUPRA Liaison Committee, 12 June 2003 (*items for noting*)

Resolution 281/03

Senate noted the report of the discussion on the following items except for items 14.6, 14.9 and 14.15.1 which were starred and deferred to the next meeting:

- 14.1 Welcome and apologies
- 14.2 Business arising from the previous report
 - 14.2.1 Postgraduate Coursework Degrees
- 14.3 Report of the Dean of Graduate Studies
- 14.4 Amendments and transitional arrangements for the Skilled Migration Visa Category

- 14.5 **2003 Federal Budget Expenditure Measures**
 - 14.5.1 **Higher Education Information Management System (HEIMS)**
 - 14.5.2 **University Governance Protocols**
 - 14.5.3 **International Student Visa Fee increases**
 - Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Fee
 - Expansion of monitoring and compliance of ESOS Act
 - 14.5.4 **Regional Campuses and regional loading measures contained in the Federal Budget**
- ☆ 14.6 **Campus 2010 and Beyond**
- 14.7 **University of Sydney Library**
- 14.8 **Campus Security**
- ☆ 14.9 **Academic Gowns for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy**
- 14.10 **Increasing foot traffic from Redfern Station to Darlington/Camperdown Campus**
- 14.11 **International fee notification to students**
- 14.12 **Exclusions and show cause**
- 14.13 **Library Consultation Processes**
- 14.14 **Next meeting**
- 14.15 **Any other business**
 - ☆ 14.15.1 **Signage**
 - 14.15.2 **Postgraduate Coursework Studies Handbook 2003**
 - Postgraduate Research Studies Handbook 2003
- ☆ 15. **Any other business**

There was no other business.
- ☆ 16. **Confidential items**
- ☆ 17. **Finance Committee meeting, 23 June 2003 – Minutes and papers**
- 18. **Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting, 25 June 2003 – Draft minutes**

Resolution 281/03

Senate deferred consideration of starred item 4.3 in the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting, held on 23 June 2003 to the next meeting.